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With regards to the Response to Rule 312 Communication, mailed 02/17/2006, Applicants have the following comments:

Applicants do not agree with the reasons for disapproval of the Rule 312 Amendment as set out in the Response. That is, Applicants do not agree that the claims filed on 12/20/2005 are not enabled or commensurate in scope with the allowed claims 3 and 9.

However, while Applicants do not agree with the stated reasons for non-entry of the claims, their undersigned representative agreed, during an interview with the Examiner on 02/09/2006, to withdraw the Rule 312 Amendment in order to expedite issuance of the present application to patent, with the proviso that the subject matter of the non-entered claims may be pursued in a continuing application.

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